

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02025-APM**

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT v. UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE et al
Assigned to: Judge Amit P. Mehta
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/29/2018
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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| 08/29/2018 | <u>1</u> | COMPLAINT against CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5663827) filed by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney, # <u>3</u> Summons Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of Justice, # <u>5</u> Summons U.S. Department of Treasury, # <u>6</u> Summons U.S. Department of State, # <u>7</u> Summons U.S. Department of Defense, # <u>8</u> Summons U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, # <u>9</u> Summons Federal Communications Commission, # <u>10</u> Summons Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services)(France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 08/29/2018) |
| 08/29/2018 | <u>2</u> | LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 08/29/2018) |
| 08/29/2018 | | Case Assigned to Judge Amit P. Mehta. (zmd) (Entered: 08/30/2018) |
| 08/31/2018 | <u>3</u> | SUMMONS (9) Issued Electronically as to CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 08/31/2018) |
| 09/19/2018 | <u>4</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/4/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/4/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/10/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES served on 9/6/2018; FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION served on 9/10/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE served on 9/7/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES served on 9/7/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 9/10/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 9/10/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY served on 9/10/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> |

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| | | Exhibit A)(France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 09/19/2018) |
| 09/27/2018 | <u>5</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Denise M. Clark on behalf of CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 09/27/2018) |
| 09/27/2018 | <u>6</u> | Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond</i> by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 09/27/2018) |
| 09/28/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER granting Defendants' <u>6</u> Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Response. The Defendants' Response shall be due on or before October 18, 2018. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 09/28/2018. (lcapm3) (Entered: 09/28/2018) |
| 09/28/2018 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendants' Response due by 10/18/2018. (zjd) (Entered: 10/01/2018) |
| 10/18/2018 | <u>7</u> | ANSWER to Complaint by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.(Clark, Denise) (Entered: 10/18/2018) |
| 10/19/2018 | <u>8</u> | ORDER. Both a Complaint and an Answer are now before the court in this FOIA case. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before November 2, 2018. See attached Order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/19/2018. (lcapm3) (Entered: 10/19/2018) |
| 10/19/2018 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/2/2018. (zjd) (Entered: 10/19/2018) |
| 10/24/2018 | <u>9</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Daniel Alexander McGrath on behalf of AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (McGrath, Daniel) (Main Document 9 replaced on 10/24/2018) (zjf). (Entered: 10/24/2018) |
| 11/02/2018 | <u>10</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 11/02/2018) |
| 11/05/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> November 2, 2018, Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another Joint Status Report, on or before November 16, 2018, that updates the court on their progress. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/05/2018. (lcapm3) (Entered: 11/05/2018) |
| 11/05/2018 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/16/2018. (zjd) (Entered: 11/06/2018) |
| 11/16/2018 | <u>11</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 11/16/2018) |
| 11/19/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> November 16, 2018, Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another Joint Status Report, on or before December 17, 2018, that updates the court on their progress. Signed by Judge Amit P. |

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| | | Mehta on 11/19/2018. (lcapm3) (Entered: 11/19/2018) |
| 11/19/2018 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/17/2018. (zjd) (Entered: 11/21/2018) |
| 12/17/2018 | <u>12</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 12/17/2018) |
| 12/18/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report no later than February 4, 2019, which updates the court on Defendants' search and production efforts. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 12/18/2018. (lcapm3) (Entered: 12/18/2018) |
| 12/18/2018 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/4/2019. (zjd) (Entered: 12/19/2018) |
| 02/04/2019 | <u>13</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 02/04/2019) |
| 02/05/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall update the court no later than March 7, 2019, as to their continued efforts regarding the scope and processing of responsive information. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 02/05/2019. (lcapm3) (Entered: 02/05/2019) |
| 02/05/2019 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/7/2019. (zjd) (Entered: 02/06/2019) |
| 03/07/2019 | <u>14</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 03/07/2019) |
| 03/14/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report no later than April 7, 2019. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 03/14/2019. (lcapm3) (Entered: 03/14/2019) |
| 03/14/2019 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/7/2019. (zjd) (Entered: 03/21/2019) |
| 04/08/2019 | <u>15</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 04/08/2019) |
| 04/18/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report no later than May 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 04/18/2019. (lcapm3) (Entered: 04/18/2019) |
| 04/18/2019 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/22/2019. (zjd) (Entered: 04/18/2019) |
| 05/03/2019 | | Set/Reset Hearings: Status Conference set for 5/17/2019 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom 10 before Judge Amit P. Mehta. (zjd) (Entered: 05/03/2019) |